

IN THE TITLE:

Please delete the title "A NOVEL GROWTH FACTOR AND A GENETIC SEQUENCE ENCODING SAME" and insert therefor --VASCULAR ENDOTHELIAL GROWTH FACTOR HOMOLOGUES--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 10, line 1, delete "Figure 8(a)" and insert therefor --Figure 8A--.

Page 10, line 4, delete "Figure 8(b)" and insert therefor --Figure 8B--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 26, 27, 29, 31, 32, 35 and 36 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

28. (Amended) [A] The nucleic acid molecule according to any one of [Claim 27] Claims 43, 44 or 45 wherein [the proteinaceous molecule] said polypeptide [has the capacity to induce] induces astroglial proliferation.

Claim 30, Line 1, delete "1" and insert therefor --43, 44 or 45--.

33. (Amended) [A] The nucleic acid molecule according to any one of [Claim 26] Claims 43, 44 or 45 encoding a murine homologue of human VEGF and comprising a nucleotide sequence [substantially as set forth in] of [Figure 9] SEQ ID NO:16.